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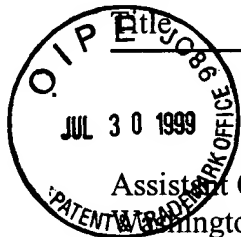
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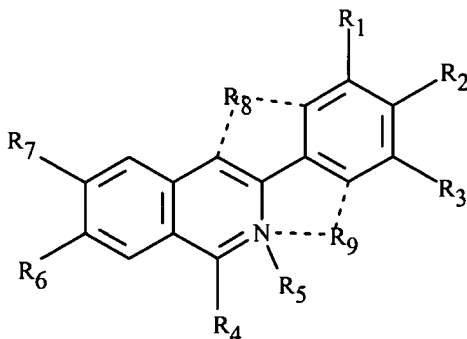
Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 17, 1999, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-5 and 23-33, add new claims 45-55; and amend claims 10, 22, and 34 as follows.

10.(AMENDED) A compound of the formula:



wherein

R_1 , R_2 , R_3 , R_6 and R_7 are independently H, OH, or (C_1-C_8) alkoxy; R_2 and R_3 together are -
OCH₂O-; [R_1 and R_2 together are -OCH₂O-;] or R_6 and R_7 together are -OCH₂O-;

R_4 is H or (C_1-C_8) alkyl;

R_5 is absent;

R_8 is absent; and

R_9 is -CH=CH- or $-(CH_2)_2$;

provided that R_1 or R_2 is H;